

PATENT APPLICATION/PCT  
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of :  
**Benno Henricus Nicolaas HIJL** : **METHOD OF IDENTIFYING**  
: **AND REGISTERING ENTITIES**  
International Application : **AND AN ASSEMBLY OF**  
No. PCT/NL00/00539 : **HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE**  
: **FOR APPLYING SUCH A**  
**METHOD**  
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Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-identified patent application  
as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

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headings:

**BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION**

**1. Field of the Invention**

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